

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA (Minister for Co-operation) relaid on the Table:—

(1) The Mysore Co-operative Societies Rules, 1960 (Notification No. A & F 2I CAD 59, dated 25th May, 1960) ;

(2) Order No. A & F 6 CAD 60, dated 23rd June, 1960) ;

(3) Notification No. A & F 20 CAD 60, dated 13th September, 1960 ;

(4) Notification No. A & F 6 CAD 60-61, dated 24th August, 1960 ;

as required under section 130 of the Mysore Co-operative Societies Act, 1959.

Sri MALI MARIYAPPA (Minister for Co-operation) laid on the Table:—

The Annul Reports of the State Khadi and Village Industries Board for the years 1958-59 and 1959-60, as required under section 26 of the Mysore Khadi and Village Industries Act, 1956.

### REPORT OF GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Mr. SPEAKER.—As required by rule 18 (1) of the Rules of procedure and conduct of Business in the Mysore Legislative Assembly, I report to the House that the Governor was pleased to address the Legislature yesterday on 27th February 1961 and place a copy of the Address on the Table of the House.

### GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

“MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE,

Once again I am happy to welcome you to the Joint Session of the Legislature. On the eve of the Third Plan, we can say with satisfaction that we have come much nearer to our ideal, the establishment of a Welfare State. An outstanding recent achievement in this direction has been the democratic decentralisation whereby effective power has been vested in local bodies.

2. Before I mention our achievements in the various sectors, I should like to refer to what is known as the “border issue”. A few months ago, my Chief Minister and the Chief Minister of Maharashtra met and a four-man Committee has been appointed to go into the question. In this Four-man Committee, Mysore has two representatives in Sri S. Channiah, M.L.C. and Sri S. S. Mallimath. We shall await the result of their deliberations.

3. In spite of the difficulties arising in the wake of the re-organisation of States, it is to the credit of my Government that they have been able to make substantial progress in the execution of the Second Five Year Plan.

4. The Third Plan period which begins in April 1961, will call for an intensification of all our activities, at the Plan expenditure has been fixed at Rs. 250 crores as against the much lower figure of Rs. 136 crores of the Second Plan. Whilst due care has been taken to make suitable provision for all Departments, emphasis has been laid on Irrigation, Power and Food Production. The extension of the Community Development Programme is proceeding apace. During the next twelve months, it is proposed to inaugurate 30 Pre-Extension Blocks—15 Blocks in April and another 15 in October, and by the end of 1963, the entire State will be covered by the Extension Service Programme.

5. Elections to the Panchayats and Taluk Boards were held during 1960. As you are all aware, in accordance with the provisions of the Mysore Village Panchayat and Local Boards Act, the Panchayats are to be entrusted with wide powers covering all developmental activities. District Development Councils have also been constituted. The work of Community Development has been handed over to the Taluk Boards and proposals are under examination for entrusting several Plan Schemes to these bodies for execution, so as to make democratic decentralisation a reality.

6. Our country depends largely on nature for its agricultural production. Last year, the South-West monsoon proved not only untimely and scanty, but was also not wide-spread. My Government took timely action to meet the situation created by these adverse conditions, by liberally granting Takavi loans and by undertaking relief works wherever necessary. The total allotments during the year for dealing with scarcity conditions exceeded Rs. One crore. These allotments do not include the indirect cost of suspensions and remissions of revenue. To mitigate the effects of adverse seasonal conditions, a drive for the construction of 15,000 additional irrigation wells has been launched, with the help of the Government of India, which allotted Rs. Two crores for the purpose. We have increased the loan assistance to Rs. 3,000 and the amount of subsidy to Rs. 500 per well. Response to the scheme has been very encouraging and my Government are hopeful of attaining the target envisaged.

7. Measures to ensure the stabilisation of food prices have been continued. Arrangements were made to import 13,000 tons of rice from Madhya Pradesh. These stocks as well as stocks of imported wheat are under issue through a net-work of Fair Price Shops and Co-operative Societies. The allotment of 8,000 tons of sugar by the Government of India for distribution in the State has enabled us to meet the needs of the people in this respect. With sufficient quantities of rice, wheat and sugar at our disposal, the food position in the State may be considered to be satisfactory.

8. The policy of expeditions disposal of Darkhast applications referred to in my last speech, has resulted in the assignment of 4 lakh acres of land to the landless by the end of November 1960. Uniform

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rules for the grant of lands have been promulgated and provision has been made to ensure that a substantial proportion of the available land is allotted to members of the Scheduled Castes and Tribes and other poor applicants.

9. In the field of agricultural production, there has been an appreciable increase in the production of food grains as well as of commercial dollar earning crops. We have on hand large scale soil conservation works, which are expected to give us a further increase in food production. The enactment of the Mysore Land Improvement Bill, which is before you, will provide a further impetus in this direction. During the Third Five Year Plan, we are aiming at an increase of ten lakh tons so as to bring the total production of food grains to about 48.5 lakh tons by the end of the Plan period. This will enable our State to be self-sufficient in food. One district has been selected for an intensive agricultural production drive, popularly known as the 'Package Deal'. A sum of Rs. One crore has been set apart for the implementation of this programme. My Government are also considering proposals for the establishment of a Rural University.

10. The problem of breeding better cattle has been before our farmers from time immemorial. Modern technological advance has greatly facilitated the multiplication of selected breeds by artificial insemination and their preservation by better medical facilities, which our Veterinary Hospitals have been able to provide. By the end of this financial year, we shall be having 485 veterinary institutions to serve the cattle population of the State and to these it has been proposed to add 15 additional dispensaries during the next year. The fisheries of our State have shown considerable progress. Boat building yards have been established at Mangalore and Karwar and they have supplied mechanised boats to fishermen. A chain of ice-plants has also been established in the coastal areas for providing increased facilities for the preservation of fish.

11. I am happy to say that the number of Service Co-operatives is rising in the State. By the end of 1960-61, 3,727 Service Co-operatives are proposed to be established and by the end of the next year, it is hoped that the number will rise to 4,725. Through these institutions, provision for credit, supply of seeds and fertilisers is being made.

12. The extension of communications in the State, especially in under-developed areas, continues to receive special attention. A programme for bridging the major rivers, such as the Krishna, Thungabhadra, Ghataprabha and Malaprabha has been undertaken so as to provide more effective means of communication between the northern districts and the southern half of the State. The West Coast Road which will run for 150 miles along the coast is expected to be completed well before the end of the Third Plan. Work on the important roads connecting the mining area to the ports of Karwar, Honavar and Mangalore is making

steady progress. Under this Scheme, over 3,000 miles of roads have been completed. The expansion of rural communications has been a special feature of our programme and has been greatly appreciated by the people of our villages.

13. The development of ports in Mysore State, particularly in view of the expansion of the minning industry, has assumed great importance. It is a matter of satisfaction that the Government of India have taken up the development of Mangalore as an all weather port, through which we shall be able to export 2 million tons of ore annually. My Government now look forward to the execution of the Mangalore-Hassan rail link as a consequence. Karwar port will also be developed into an all weather Intermediate Port, capable of handling over 5 lakh tons of ore and cargo. Improvements to the ports at Honavar, Coondapur and Belekeri will also be undertaken.

14. The expansion of our nationalised Road Transport Service continues. During the next year, 300 more vehicles operating a daily mileage of more than 34,000 miles will be put on the road.

15. We are also developing our power resources. The work on the Sharavathi Valley Project is progressing according to schedule and my Government has been able to secure clearance for the second stage and orders have been placed for the machinery required. The first stage of the Project consisting of the installation of two units to generate 1,78,200 K. W. will be completed by December 1962. The Bhadra Hydro-Electric Project which will have an installed capacity of 33,200 K. W. is also in progress and the first unit is expected to be commissioned by the end of this year. One of the three units of the Tungabhadra Hydro-electric Project has already been erected and the other two are expected to be commissioned by the end of 1962. Owing to the shortage of power, it has been found necessary to stagger the supply to high tension consumers in order to reduce the load on the power system. In spite of the commissioning of the various projects, I have just mentioned, we shall barely be able to meet the expected demand for power the State by the end of the Third Five Year Plan. The question of taking up the Kalinadi project is, therefore, engaging the active attention of my Government and suitable provision in this respect has been made in the Third Plan.

16. Equally important is the development of irrigation. The major irrigation projects continued to make good progress during the past year. Twenty seven medium irrigation projects at a total estimated cost of Rs. 20 crores are under various stages of execution. Under the minor irrigation programme, a large number of tanks and anicuts have been taken up for construction as well as for restoration. During the current year 1960-61, the total addition to the irrigated area under major, medium and minor projects is expected to be 1.5 lakh of acres. The question of the proper allocation of waters of the Krishna and the Godavari rivers amongst the States concerned has been taken up by my

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Government at the highest level, and they are hopeful that the question will be settled on an equitable basis at an early date. My Government have also under their active consideration, the utilisation of their full share of the Cauvery waters.

17. During the year 1961-62, we shall see many sided developments in industries. Amongst the principal items worthy of mention are, the establishment of a large Bagasse Paper Plant, the extension of the Sugar Factory at Mandya, the extension of the Electric Factory at Bangalore and the establishment of a new Bagasse Paper Plant in Belgaum District. The Government Soap Factory will also be producing glycerine on a commercial scale.

18. In my last address, I had referred to the expansion of the Mysore Iron and Steel Works in Bhadravathi, the only manufacturers of ferro-silicon in the country. Agreements facilitating this and other expansion schemes have recently been finalised with reputed West-German firms at a cost of Rs. 700 lakhs.

19. Though my Government have paid considerable attention to the major industries in the State, it has not neglected smaller establishments and with the formation of the Mysore Small Industries Corporation, it has been possible to assist numerous enterprises operating on a small scale. Three Industrial Estates are already working and five more are expected to function very shortly.

20. The question of transferring the Kolar Gold Mining under takings to the Central Government has not yet been finally settled. Meanwhile, the progress of mining operations continues to be satisfactory.

21. It may be of interest to you to note that the Department of Mines and Geology has been able to locate extensive deposits of iron ore of marketable grade in parts of North Kanara, Shimoga and South Kanara Districts and some of these deposits have already been taken up by the Board of Mineral Development for large scale exploitation.

22. My Government have been equally conscious of the importance of public health. With the ultimate object of amalgamating both the public health and medical departments so as to ensure better standards 529 institutions were transferred to the control of the Public Health Department. Facilities for medical education have been further improved and expanded. One hundred and forty-nine Health Units have been sanctioned and it is proposed to establish 119 Primary Health Centres on the Government of India pattern, during the Third Five Year Plan period. Ultimately, it is hoped to provide one Health Unit for a population of 15,000. Action is also being taken to improve the health of children by expanding the School Health Services and by establishing a Bureau of Nutrition.

23. Providing the urban population with pure water supply has continued to be a primary concern of the administration. Ninety five watter supply schemes and 24 drainage schemes have been undertaken at a total cost of Rs. 1,563 lakhs. Necessary measures will also be undertaken during the Third Five Year Plan for augmenting the water supply, for extending underground drainag facilities in the unsewered portions and for the disposal of sewage in the Bangalore Corporation area. A survey of the watter supply facilitis in rural areas has revealed the need for ensuring a better supply. Six thousand and two hundred villages without proper drinking water wells will be provided with such wells during the next five years and the inadequate water supply in another 2,900 villages will be suitably augmented.

24. In the field of education, rapid progress has been made. Emphasis has rightly been laid on primary and secondry education. My Government are contemplating the introduction of free and compulsory primary education throughout the State in a phased programme, which will be the first step towards the fulfilment of the Constitutional directive under Article 45. The new and revised Higher Secondary syllabus has been introduced from the current year in the VIII Standard in all High Schools.

25. The policy of the State Government that every District should have one standard Polytechnic has almost been achieved. With assistance from the Government of India, a regional Engineering College has been started at Suratkal in South Kanara and another Engineering College in Hassan under the auspices of the Malnad Technical Education Society.

26. The welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been the accepted policy of my Government. Educational facilities and economic assistance to members of these classes will be provided in an ever increasing manner, to enable them to take their rightful place in the life of the community. In addition to the special funds available, steps are being taken to ensure that these sections of the population receive an adequate share of the benifits accruing from all Plan outlays.

27. The Government of India have recently entrusted to the State Government the work of rehabilitating some 3,000 Tibetan refugees of whom 1,200 persons have already arrived in the Colony set up in Periyapatna Taluk, Mysore District. A Special Officer with the necessary establishment is already engaged in implementing the Scheme, the entire cost of which will be borne by the Government of India.

28. I have referred to our plans for the next five years. To implemt these we shall have to review our financial position. Our commitments are increasing and not only must we improve our internal resources but we must also make a special effort in terms of economy in expenditure. My Government have, therefore, appointed a Resources and Economy Committee under the Chairmanship of Sri A. G. Ramachandra Rao, a former Minister of the State, to advise them in the

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matter of raising additional resources and of securing all possible economies in the normal expenditure. The Committee's report is expected to be received before the end of November 1961. The president has constituted the Third Finance Commission. I am sure the Finance Commission will take into account our commitments on account of pay revision and our future requirements and give us a suitable award, which would enable us to implement successfully the Third Five Year Plan. I shall not dwell on the financial policy of the Government as the Finance Minister will deal with this in detail in the course of his Budget Speech. Nevertheless, I am glad to announce that the Committee appointed to examine to what extent and in what respects the service conditions of the employees of this State require further improvement, has submitted its Report on the 4th of February 1961 and my Government have considered the Report and are issuing orders accepting the recommendations of the Committee substantially. I am confident that these will benefit a large number of Government servants especially low-paid employees and the staff of the technical departments and will result in greater contentment among our officials and one more efficient service to the nation.

29. A number of Bills have already been placed before you to bring about uniformity in the laws in force in the State. I trust that you will be able to consider and pass these Bills during the course of this year. It is also proposed to place before you the following Bills:—

1. The Mysore Forest Bill, 1959 ;
2. The Mysore Prisons Bill, 1961 ;
3. The Mysore Prisoners Bill, 1961 ;
4. The Mysore Borstal Schools Bill, 1961 ;
5. The Mysore Small Cause Courts Bill, 1961 ;
6. The Mysore Agricultural Posts and Diseases Bill, 1960 ;
7. The Mysore Ferries and Inland Vessels Bill, 1961 ;

Three Ordinances were promulgated in December 1960, namely:—

1. The Mysore Evacuee Interest (Separation) Supplementary Ordinance, 1960 ;
2. The Mysore Rent Control Laws Continuance Ordinance, 1960 ;  
and
3. The Mysore Tenancy Laws (Amendment) ordinance, 1960.

Bills to repeal and replace these Ordinances will be placed before you during the current session.

30. I now take leave of you and before doing so, I wish you every success in your deliberations."